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A WONDERFUL RESPONSE TO BARTHS' RECORD-BREAKING FINAL Administration Sale of Men's and Boys' Suits, Overcoats, Etc.

There's a reason. You know BARTH qualities are always best. Now—of necessity—since the affairs of the estate must be settled, the most radical price-reductions are made to convert goods into cash

Unrestricted Choice
of any BARTH \$25 Suit or Overcoat
(the very finest of tailoring)
\$18.85

Unrestricted Choice
of any BARTH \$20 Suit or Overcoat
(variety 1914-1915 models)
\$14.85

Unrestricted Choice
of any BARTH \$15 Suit or Overcoat
(limits of clothing accomplishments)
\$10.85

Unrestricted Choice
of any BARTH \$10 Suit or Overcoat
(good, serviceable garments)
\$6.85

FURNISHING GOODS
BARTH \$1.50 sweater \$1.15
\$1 heavy fleeced union suits 77c
Boys' heavy fleeced union suits 50c
50c quality 38c
50c knitted caps 35c
Linen collars 35c
80c fleeced muffs 37c
50c fleeced kid and other dress gloves 37c

WORK GOODS
BARTH \$5.50 corduroy suits \$4.55
BARTH \$3 corduroy pants 2.35
BARTH \$1 flannel shirts 78c
50c work shirts, not more than 3 to a customer 37c
60c heavy fleeced leather work gloves 37c
Heavy weight tick mittens 7c
Impossible to list all items
Any article sent by parcel post

Balmacans, Mackinaws, Boys' Suits and Overcoats, all included

HOW TO ASSIST UNEMPLOYED.
Referring to the importance of finding work for the unemployed during the winter, the Saturday Evening Post editorially says:
Every commercial country has a banking reserve—a certain large sum in gold that is set apart and lies untouched from month to month and year to year in ordinary times, but which may be drawn on in an emergency. Thus, in the war crisis gold that may have lain unused for a long period passed out of the Bank of England.
We believe it would be possible for a country to create an industrial reserve. Every important nation's labor statistics show a pretty constant recurrence of unemployment. For three or four years labor may be quite fully employed. Then business slackens and the number of men out of work rises until times improve. These recurring seasons of large unemployment take a heavy toll of labor. Savings disappear; debts accumulate; families formerly self-supporting become dependent.
As a matter of fact we know the dull seasons are going to recur, but they always have. In every country there is a vast deal of public work done by the cities, states and central governments. In every country the public employs labor most freely exactly when private employers do—that is, when times are good and credit is easy. When times are poor and bonds not easily salable the public cuts down employment. It ought to be the other way. By intelligent forethought it might be made so—public work, that is, might be made a sort of industrial reserve fall back on when private work slackened.

THE death of Miller Morris, at the home of his son in California, says another of Audrain's fine old men gone in the past week. Mr. Morris was universally popular with both old and young, and his death will cause much sadness throughout the community. He was a man of fine Christian character.

ALONG the line of economy in the administration of affairs in Washington City, the St. Louis Post-Dispatch editorially says: The late Judge Callahan used boldly to defend the 20-cent mileage grant of Congressmen. "Though it doesn't cost that much," he said, "the risks of travel are worth it." Without having the courage to defend it Congressmen nowadays vote to perpetuate it on the sole ground that they need the money. Risks of travel have greatly declined since the Judge's time. Five cents a mile synchronizes much better than 20 cents a mile with an age of safety first triumphs.

STEAM heat causes wrinkles says a Beauty expert. This puts the janitor in the class with the aesthetic uplifters.

AS long as some men are able to contract new debts they don't let their old ones worry them.

THIS country has fixed up its currency problem pretty well. It ought to do as much for the unemployment enigma.

SAWING WOOD FOR MEALS
Springfield Man Has Started a Self-Help Plan for the Hungry

Springfield, Mo., Dec. 28.—The humane society this morning established a municipal woodpile where men may earn the price of a meal by sawing the fuel which is to be given to widows in destitute circumstances. A vacant yard has been instituted in a vacant lot in view of the city hall, where the humane officer may supervise operations from the window of his office. Several men have already been set to work.

CHARGED WITH KIDNAPPING
Grandfather of 10-Year-Old Boy Also Accused by Lad's Father.
Centralia, Mo., Dec. 28.—Dr. C. H. Dixon, Coroner, and E. T. Fuller, former Prosecuting Attorney of Monroe County, and Granville Wood, a farmer, living near Holliday, were given a preliminary hearing today on a charge of kidnapping Roy Creaman, a 10-year-old boy, grandson of Granville Wood, from the home of his grandmother, Mrs. Kate Creaman, in this city December 3.

Several months ago William Creaman and wife, Maggie, parents of Roy Creaman, separated, the mother going to her father's home on a farm near Holliday, taking the boy with her.
On December 1, William Creaman appeared at the school Roy was attending and took the boy away. The lad was located two days later at the home of Creaman's mother in Centralia.

Wood, accompanied by Dr. Dixon and E. T. Fuller, went to Centralia, and Wood requested his grandson to return to Holliday. The boy agreed. The same afternoon William Creaman swore out a warrant for the arrest of the three men.

M. U. WANTS \$1,725,000.
Curators Will Ask Next Legislature For Several Improvements.

Many improvements have been planned for the University of Missouri at Columbia and the School of Mines and Metallurgy at Rolla by the Board of Curators, which met Monday in St. Louis.
The biennial budget for the State University will call for an appropriation of \$1,500,000, as against \$1,417,000 two years ago. The Legislature will be asked to give \$225,000 for the School of Mines.
The improvements planned at the university include a woman's building, equipped with a gymnasium according to the architect's drawings, about \$85,000.
It is the plan of the curators to rebuild the Mechanics Arts building, which burned in 1913. This structure is expected to cost about \$50,000. An addition to the Horticultural building, to cost \$40,000, and general improvements to the extent of \$100,000, are listed in the estimates.

L. M. DOZIER SUPERINTENDENT
Has Been Elected Head of Christian Church Sabbath School.

L. M. Dozier, assistant cashier of the North Missouri Trust Co., has been elected superintendent of the Christian Church Sabbath School for the coming year. He succeeds Mayor J. W. Dry, who has held the position seven years, in that time making one of the largest and most active schools in the country.
Dozier is the third consecutive man from Centralia who was elected superintendent of this school. Dr. Traubner, now in California, was the first and Mayor Dry succeeded him.
Other officers elected are as follows: T. A. Threlkeld and J. W. Squires, assistant super.; O. A. Adams and John Barclay, secretaries; J. C. Mundy, treasurer; Mmes. E. R. Locke and C. C. Cardwell, song leaders; Mrs. O. A. Adams and Miss Dennie Kello musicians.

Frank Gets Appeal.
Leo M. Frank, under the death sentence for the murder of Mary Phagan in Atlanta Ga. has been given an appeal to the Supreme Court and his execution stayed.
Frank, a man who has always been the best of reputations, was convicted on the testimony of a negro who bore an unsavory name. Frank is considered a victim of the "mob spirit" and generally believed to be innocent.
Mmes. Eva and Georgia Miller and Mrs. W. A. Wallace of Mexico spent Sunday with Mrs. Martha Miller of this city returning that evening—Fulton Sun.

MRS. J. A. HEADINGTON DIES AT HER HOME WEDNESDAY
Pioneer Woman of Mexico Passes Away After Long Illness—Husband Survives.

SHE WAS BORN IN KENTUCKY
Devoted Member of Christian Church And A Splendid Christian Woman, Much Beloved.
Another pioneer woman of this city has been taken away. The ranks of these splendid old ladies are fast thinning and one by one they are being called to their reward.
Mrs. J. A. Headington died at her home on East Liberty Street, Wednesday morning, at 6 o'clock, from bronchitis. She had been in poor health for some time, but her death was unexpected. She was about 78 years old.

The funeral will be Friday afternoon but definite arrangements have not been made.
Margaret Rodman was born in Kentucky but moved to Missouri while a young girl. She had lived in Mexico most of her life. About 40 years ago she was married to Elder J. A. Headington.
Mrs. Headington is survived by her husband, a sister, Mrs. Sue Woodward and a half-brother, Dr. R. W. Bourne all of this city. They are the last of a family of ten children.
Mrs. Headington was a devout member of the Christian church and a splendid Christian woman. Kind and charitable, she was beloved by all who knew her; with a pleasant smile and kind word for everyone she met, she cheered the hearts of many. Her death will be a great loss to this community and the Ledger joins many friends in extending sincere sympathy to the bereaved family.

Miller Morris Funeral.
The body of Miller Morris was brought from Modesto, Calif., early Thursday morning and taken to the home of Mr. Morris' son, Vernon Morris. The funeral was at the Methodist church, Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock, the Rev. S. W. Hayne officiating and the body was interred in Elmwood cemetery.

The pall bearers were S. P. Emmons, Dr. W. L. Reed, A. K. Luckie, W. J. Mason, Ernest Gantt and A. P. Johnson.
Lute Saunders Wants A Divorce.
Luther M. Saunders has filed suit for divorce against his wife, Mrs. Dorra Saunders alleging she offered indignities which made conditions intolerable. Mr. and Mrs. Saunders were married in 1897 and have one son, seven years old.

Mr. and Mrs. Greeley Talbot and son, of Moberly spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Hawthorne.

FARMERS' WEEK CROWDED.
College of Agriculture and State Board at Columbia Co-operate.

Farmers' Week at the University of Missouri at Columbia, January 11-15, 1915, promises to be "bigger and better than ever." From the very first night's program, when Dr. H. J. Waters, president of the Kansas State Agricultural College and former dean of the College of Agriculture at Columbia, will give an illustrated lecture on world agriculture, the week promises to be as interesting as instructive.
The evening programs throughout the week will be held in the University auditorium under the auspices of the State Board of Agriculture. Noted speakers will be in Columbia for these meetings.
During the day the short courses for everyone, and the special short courses for women, and also for boys and girls, will be conducted by the faculty of the college of Agriculture. These short courses will begin at 8:30 o'clock and close at 1:30 o'clock. From six to ten lectures or demonstrations will be given each hour, so that it will be impossible for anyone to hear or see all. Each person will choose the courses they would rather take, the ones they are vitally interested in. Every subject of interest to the farmer, his wife, and his boy and girl, will be covered in these short courses.
During the afternoons, fifteen of the twenty state organizations connected with agriculture, will hold their annual corn show at Columbia during the week, and has offered a large number of valuable premiums. There will also be judging contests, both corn and stock, for both boys and girls under the auspices of the Boy's and Girl's clubs of the state. The state clubs will have an exhibit at Columbia during the week.
The crowning event of the week will be the big banquet given by the University of Missouri to the visiting farmers Friday night, January 15, at the close of the week. One of the prize steers will be killed for this big feast, and everything served will be from the agricultural college farm.
Last year there were more than 2,000 farmers there during the week, registering from ninety-two counties of the state and from eighteen other states. It looks like there will be at least 3,000 there this year.

Builds Home For Parents.
Horace Paul, of Oakland, Calif., bought a lot on North Jefferson St., from M. T. Vandegriff, while in Mexico last week. Mr. Paul will build a bungalow there next spring for his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Paul.

Mr. W. C. Huey returned to St. Louis after spending Christmas at the Planters. Mrs. Huey will remain until after New Year's with her mother.

Virgil Ryan, of Fulton, was in Mexico, Monday.

Wahash Freight Train Backs Into Automobile at Jefferson Street.

A Marion automobile belonging to Ed Cornell's garage was badly damaged when a Wahash freight train backed into it at the Jefferson Street crossing, Wednesday afternoon. Bob Montgomery, who was driving the car had a narrow escape but was uninjured.
The side curtains were on the car and the driver did not see the approaching train, which was switching in the yards. The car was struck in the tonneau and the engine was badly damaged.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wales and Miss Maybelle Wales have returned to their home in Elgin, Kas. They were accompanied home by Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wales.

Mrs. Geo. W. Chase, who underwent a serious operation at the hospital, recently, is improving. Mr. Chase came from St. Louis, to the bedside of his wife Monday.

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The Rev. W. H. Hook writes from Hunter, Mo., that he is enjoying good health and wishes all of his Mexico friends a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

P. M. MORRIS WILL BE BURIED HERE THURSDAY
Prominent Citizen of Mexico Dies at His Home in Modesto, Calif., Saturday Night.

ARRIVED IN AUDRAIN IN 1864
Was Once Circuit Clerk of This County and Also Prominent Business Man Here.

The funeral of P. M. Morris, formerly of this county, who died Saturday night at the home of his son, E. H. Morris, in Modesto, Calif., will be held Thursday in this city from the Methodist church. Paralysis was the cause of his death.
P. M. Morris was born July 1, 1834, in Boon County, Tennessee and came to this city in 1864 where, for several years, he worked as a farm hand during the summer and taught school in the winter. In 1864 he opened a general merchandise store at Concord.
Mr. Morris and Miss Sallie Cook Fish, daughter of the Reverend Nathaniel L. Fish and Rebecca (Cunningham) Fish, were married in 1864. Mr. and Mrs. Morris came to Mexico, in 1865. Mr. Morris established a drug store in Mexico. After the Ringo Hotel was built, he occupied the corner room, which is now a part of the Worrill Jewelry Company's store.
In 1870, Mr. Morris erected the building at the corner of South Jefferson and Promenade streets, now the Lawler Building. He occupied the lower floor with his drug and book store. He continued in business until 1876 when he retired.
Mr. Morris moved to a farm, two miles northwest of Mexico, and remained there until he was elected Circuit Clerk in 1898. He served one term of two years.
Mr. Morris' wife died in November, 1909. The children born to this union, who are living, are as follows: Vernon P. Morris, Mexico; Emerson Otis Morris and W. H. Morris, Stockton, Calif.; E. H. Morris, Nathaniel P. Morris and Roy Morris, Modesto, Calif.; and Mrs. George Matthews, Hubbard, Minn.

Mr. Morris was well known by both the older and the younger people of Mexico who revered his fine Christian character and high ideals. He was a devoted member of the Methodist church and was until his health began to fail active in every movement that was for the good of the community. The Ledger joins the many friends of the family in extending deepest sympathy.

INITIATE LARGE CLASS.
Centralia Council, No. 34 Confers Cryptic Degree in Masonry.

A large number of out-of-town Masons attended the meeting of Centralia Council, No. 34 in this city, Tuesday afternoon, when that lodge conferred the Cryptic degree in Masonry on a class of about twenty. Dr. John Pickard, of the Missouri University faculty, conferred the degrees. The session convened at four o'clock and at six o'clock a banquet was given at the Ringo Hotel. About sixty out-of-town Masons attended the meeting which will continue this evening.
Among them were: C. B. Meffert, R. L. Hope, Louis Schooler, J. W. Waller, R. L. Pruitt and the Rev. Mr. Swift, all of Centralia; O. D. Gray and C. C. Woods, Sturgeon; John Pickard and J. A. Oliver, Columbia; C. Blackburn, Blackburn.

JEFF BRIDGFOORD DEAD.
Famous Paris, Mo., Horseman Well Known in This City.

One of Missouri's widely known horse breeders, Jefferson Bridgfoord, a rare judge and trainer of horses, died Sunday night at his home in Paris, Mo. He was 63 years old.
Mr. Bridgfoord developed some of the very best saddle horses Missouri has ever known and attended many of the fairs and horse shows all over this country until his health failed.
In 1893, when he was 72, he won the judge's decision at the Chicago World's Fair as the "best gentleman rider." Mr. Bridgfoord was well known in Mexico having visited here on various occasions and his death will be deeply regretted by a host of friends in this community.

CAR WRECKED; MAN ESCAPED.
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STATE COMMITTEE PRAISES WORK OF MEXICO CITIZENS
Mexican Shipped 35 Barrels of Flour, 2 Boxes Canned Goods and Other Necessities.

CONGRATULATION FOR RESULT
The following letter from the Missouri "Charity Day" Committee to Mrs. W. L. Reed, secretary of the Mexican Relief Committee explains itself. The Mexican committee did a great work and those in charge were untiring in their efforts. The letter to Mrs. Reed follows:

Dear Mrs. Reed:
We are in receipt of your valued favor of Dec. 21 advising us that you have shipped, via Wahash, 35 barrels of flour, 2 boxes of canned food stuffs, 2 boxes knitted and crocheted and new garments, and 3 boxes of second hand clothing, and enclosing itemized list of contributions.
On behalf of the State Committee I wish to thank you for the efforts you have put forth to make this work a success in your vicinity and which will be of material assistance in making Missouri Charity Day a success in the State.
I wish to repeat that you and your fellow citizens are to be congratulated upon the commendable results you have obtained and assure you that your contributions will be appreciated by those whom they will finally reach.
Very truly yours,
A. C. Einstein, Secretary.

FIFTY FIVE FAMILIES REMEMBERED
It was a beautiful Christmas in Mexico. Every person, young and old, rich and poor had a merry time because of the pleasant surprise given them by the Good Fellows committee of the churches and city. Those who are in comfortable circumstances, with warm clothing and plenty of fuel and enough to eat, have added to their own happiness by aiding their less fortunate brothers and sisters.

A thorough canvass of the town was made and all who were in want received a well filled basket of good things to eat. This work is being done by the Good Fellows of Mexico through the committee from the churches and the city council. Members of the committee have been at work securing the names of those in need for several weeks and on Thursday morning the task of filling the baskets and sending them out was started.
The large Police Court room in the City Hall was filled with tables. Thursday morning and members of the committee filled the baskets and assorted them ready for distribution. Fifty-five baskets, each representing some poor family and ranging in size according to the number in the family, were sent out with the very best wishes of the Good Fellows for a Merry Christmas. Each basket contained a roast, cabbage, coffee, onions, beans, potatoes, apples, candy, canned fruit and bread. Besides these baskets, eighteen tons of coal were sent to those without fuel and many pieces of clothing have been given away.
C. A. Witherspoon, chairman of the committee and Wallace Dearing, secretary and treasurer say they could not expect more faithful and untiring work than the committee, especially the women, has done. They have thrown aside their house-work and preparations for Christmas in their own homes have been neglected to some extent that the unfortunate of Mexico might be cared for and their hearts gladdened on the birthday of the Savior.
The members of the committee are: Baptist, C. A. Witherspoon and Mrs. Sam Evans; Christian, Mrs. Frank Pearl and Leo Hanley; Presbyterian, Miss Marie Rose and Wallace Dearing; Episcopal, R. E. Race and Mrs. E. M. White; Catholic, Mrs. Geo. Lee, Mrs. William Smith; Methodist, E. F. Ketter and Mrs. S. H. Richards; Councilmen: J. A. Lewis, Leo Hanley, J. D. Pratt and J. J. Wood. Mayor J. W. Dry is ex-officio chairman.

Although it was the object of this committee to make this Christmas a merry one for those who might otherwise be forgotten, their work will not stop until warm weather. Many of the families are in destitute circumstances with no means of support; many of the bread-winners are without jobs and a number of women have been left alone with several children to care for. These people must be cared for and the Good Fellows of the Ledger will be left open throughout Christmas week, so that anyone wishing to contribute may do so.

Move Into New Store.
W. J. Sannebeck & Co. have moved into their new store room on Jefferson St. Their quarters are much larger than they formerly had and the rear of the building will be used for packing as the firm will both wholesale and retail meat. The room has been attractively arranged and makes a fine appearance.

Chief of Police Sam Wallace fed 25 "buns" at the Municipal Breakfast Hall Wednesday morning. Recorder-elect J. W. Stephens gave three gallons of milk to Chief Wallace Tuesday and Wednesday mornings.

E. A. Trowbridge has returned to his home in Columbia after a business trip to this city.

Wm. Biggers of Moberly was shaking hands with Mexico friends today.

ELEVEN TOOK COUNCIL DEGREES IN MASONRY
Royal and Select Master Masons of Centralia Council Confer Degrees in Mexico.

DR. PICKARD DID THE WORK
Seven Mexico Men and Four From Other Towns Were Given Work by Visitors.

The royal, select and super-excellent degrees in Masonry were conferred on a class of eleven by the Royal and Select Master Masons of the Centralia Council at the Masonic Hall in this city, Tuesday. This was one of the largest Masonic meetings held in Mexico for some time and most of those present were out-of-town men, owing to the fact that there were but five members of the Council living in this city. They are A. S. Houston, H. D. Llewellyn, W. W. Johnson, John T. Marshall and G. F. Tolson. Those who took the degrees, Tuesday, are as follows: P. C. Van Horn, William Arthur Paulin, John Abney, Will C. Williams, Wm. F. Atkinson, J. J. Wood and R. D. Worrill, Mexico; Royal Arch Chapter, No. 27: W. R. Rhoades, Slater; W. T. Ellis, Wellsville; J. Finley Smith, Sturgeon; and Charles Banks, Kirkville.
Other out-of-town Masons here for the meeting were: Dr. John Pickard, H. L. Wilson, John Vassar, W. W. Payne, J. A. Oliver, J. A. Gibson, B. F. Venable, G. T. Felt, all of Columbia; E. Robinson, W. H. Carpenter, C. H. Swift, H. L. Pruetz, R. L. Hope, H. L. Shock, J. M. Walter, L. G. Schooler, C. B. Meffert, J. R. Edwards, E. J. Schmitt, S. M. Cernison, all of Centralia; Irwin Davis, C. C. Dordner, W. T. Davis, Kirkville; C. T. Blackburn, Blackburn; G. M. Nelson, Moberly; O. D. Gray, Sturgeon.

MRS. J. T. BUCKNER DEAD.
Body Was Buried in Elmwood Cemetery Wednesday.

Mrs. John T. Buckner, 23 years old, died in Fulton Monday evening at 7 o'clock. The funeral was Wednesday morning at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Campbell, in Fulton, the Rev. S. G. Wood conducting the services. The remains were interred in Elmwood cemetery, this city, immediately following the arrival of the noon train from Fulton Wednesday.
Mrs. Buckner was Miss Maymie Campbell, of Audrean, and for several years she resided, with her parents, in this city. She married John T. Buckner about a year ago and has been residing with her husband on their farm near Audrean. Mrs. Buckner was a young woman of fine character, lovely disposition and a great favorite with all who knew her. She will be greatly missed by her many friends. The Ledger joins in extending deepest sympathy to the bereaved.

WABASH MANAGER RESIGNS.
Henry Miller Asks to Be Relieved of Roads Operation.

The following announcement was made Monday evening at the Wahash Railroad headquarters by General Manager Henry Miller in St. Louis. "I have tendered my resignation as general manager of the Wahash, effective January 1, 1915. After thirty-five years continuous railway service, having been twenty-five years with the Burlington before coming to the Wahash, I am looking forward to a vacation before making plans for the future. In relinquishing the active management of the Wahash after nearly ten years of service, it is with the kindest regards for my associates and best wishes for the future success of the property."
"I shall continue as a director and vice president of the company for the present."

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Lawrence, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Stalcup and little daughter, Elizabeth, and Mrs. M. R. Wise visited relatives at McCredie, Wednesday.

John Barclay, local agent for the Prudential Life Insurance Co., has the thanks of the Ledger for a handsome leather bound memorandum book.

Miss Ida Rossmore has returned from a visit in St. Louis.

Miss Clara Hickman to Wed.
Miss Clara Hickman, principal of Grant School at Columbia, will be married January 18 to William Jessa Bush, president of the State Savings Bank, Ann Arbor, Mich. Miss Hickman is well known in Mexico.

Apples For Sale.
I have a car of Fancy apples; been sprayed three times. For sale at car near C. & A. Freight Depot, Mexico, Mo. Will deliver anywhere in town. Phone 504. W. T. Wilkerson.

Charles A. Mergenthaler who is attending the Commercial Art School in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, is here the guest of E. F. Elliott and wife.

M. E. Hays is home from Columbia.

PROTEST PAVING EAST JACKSON STREET FILED
Property Owners On East Jackson St. File Protest Against Paving the Street.

BILLS AMOUNTING TO \$438.33
Ordinance Amending One Now In Effect About Fortune Tellers Passes Unanimously.

A protest by property owners on that street against the paving of East Jackson St., from Calhoun to Grand Ave., was filed with the city council, Monday night at the regular session. The protest was signed by the following: Willard Potts, Mrs. W. K. Potts, Mason Creasey, Mrs. Ida Byrns, Geo. M. Pearson, Nina Pearson, R. S. Pearson, Anna Wright, A. J. Stacey, D. C. Stacey, Emma Bass, W. J. McLooney, Mrs. W. J. McLooney, J. E. Blatner, J. O. Edmonston, Mrs. J. O. Edmonston, J. D. McKee, G. F. Rohlfing, Mrs. Etta Rohlfing, D. M. Roberts, D. W. Butler, John T. Payne, John Kunkel, Fannie M. Coons, Mrs. W. C. Barkley, H. C. McClure, J. R. Craddock, D. Edwards, Carrie and Hattie Kemman, Sue P. Woodward, W. L. Fowles, Mrs. W. L. Fowles, W. F. Smith, Mrs. Margaret Smith, E. F. Kunkel, Missy Holliday, John Callahan, guardian for George Callahan, Mary E. French, J. M. Powell.
A committee composed of Messrs. Pratt and Wood and City Engineer E. F. Ketter was appointed to examine the protest and report to the council.
The time for protesting the paving of this street is not up until Saturday and the committee will not consider the protest until that time. In the meantime persons may withdraw or add their names to the protest if they so desire.
The ordinance to amend the present one in regard to fortune tellers, clairvoyants, etc., was passed unanimously. Another ordinance making it a misdemeanor for fortune tellers, etc., to work in Mexico will be introduced at the next session.
Mr. Johnson said the fire alarm needed improvement and a committee composed of Messrs. Johnson, Ragans, Dale and Atkinson was appointed to investigate the matter.
Mr. Hanly, chairman of the Library Committee said his committee would confer with City Attorney, David H. Robertson before reporting.
Bills to the amount of \$438.33 were allowed.

R. R. PLANS UNSETTLED.
Marshall Rust Can Tell Nothing Definite About Extension.

"I can tell you nothing definite in regard to the extension of the electric line from Molino to Santa Fe," Marshall Rust, president of the Mexico Investment and Construction Co., owners of the line, said to a Ledger reporter Wednesday afternoon following a meeting of the owners.
The meeting, Wednesday, was for the purpose of discussing plans for raising the remainder of the money needed for the work and nothing definite was done.
ARRESTED FOR FORGERY.
Thomas B. Robinson and Bell Malloy, arrested here Monday night by the local authorities, were turned over to a representative of the Kansas City Police force Tuesday afternoon. It is alleged they are wanted for forgery.
They have been staying in this city since Dec. 18 and were known as Mr. and Mrs. Harry Caswell. The girl is 17 years old.
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Accidentally Shot Himself in Oklahoma Tuesday.

W. H. Ritchie received a telegram Wednesday from the Hotel of Oklahoma announcing that Mr. L. Fountain, formerly of Sturgeon, who married Miss Mayme Gamble of Mexico, accidentally shot and killed himself near Wapanuck, Oklahoma. The burial will take place there.

Mr. Fountain was well known in Audrain, especially in the western part, and had many friends who join us in extending sincere sympathy to the bereaved family.

Medical Society Elects.
The Audrain County Medical Society, at its meeting in this city Monday elected the following officers: President, Dr. R. L. Alford; Vice-president, Dr. W. H. Douglas; Secretary-treasurer, Dr. Charles L. Blanks, Mexico. The hospital committee is as follows: Drs. Alford, Fred Griffin and R. W. Berrey. The members present; and who enjoyed a dinner at the Hoxsey were Drs. W. R. and N. R. Cole, J. G. Moore, Fred Griffin, P. E. Col, R. T. Gibbs, C. A. Rothwell, E. C. Street, J. A. Wren, L. T. Carr and R. W. Berrey. The Rev. A. A. Wallace was a guest at the dinner.

BRYAN WILL NOT QUIT.
Washington, Dec. 29.—"I am not resigning again or yet; please make the customary denial."

This was the reply of Secretary of State Bryan to another report that he would resign from the Cabinet as soon as the Senate takes action on pending treaties.

Married At Benton City.
Clark Pledge and Miss Stella McMahon, both of Benton City, were married at Benton City, Tuesday by Rev. Mr. Arvin. Both young people are well known and the Ledger joins their many friends in extending best wishes.

Mrs. Tina Dobyns is visiting in St. Louis during the Holidays.

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